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**Nature Of Opinion**

Docket Number: E-01787A-16-0144

Docket Position: Against

I object to the Streamlined Application and request intervention in the rate increase proposal from Navopache Electric Cooperative, for the reasons that follow. First, NEC was approved for a rate increase slightly more than one year ago on April 1, 2015. Inflation, as reflected in the CPI, has been less than 1% for both 2014 and 2015. Next, the price of coal (primary fuel source for NEC) has dropped from approximately \$60/ton on 01/2014 to \$43/ton on 5/31/2016 - a 28% decrease. Based upon these compelling antagonistic factors, I believe NEC should be required to use the Rule 103 rate increase application, thus requiring a formal evidentiary hearing and a more comprehensive review/analysis by Commission Staff, to clearly demonstrate the need for an increase.

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